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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently amended) In a machine for filling and sealing two-part capsules, having a

capsule delivery device, which has receptacles, each for one capsule, and having at least one

capsule expulsion station, which includes

a capsule expulsion device for axially expelling the capsules each out of their

respective receptacle;

guide flaps, individually controllable by means of an actuating device and pivotable

with respect to a pivot shaft, which are each assigned to one capsule receptacle and each have

two guideways, triggerable by means of the actuating device, for the respective associated

capsules, and

partitions, which separate the guideways of adjacent guide flaps from one another,

the improvement wherein the partitions are each integrally formed with an

integrated component of a respective guide flap, wherein each of that the guide flaps

cooperate with two rows of capsule receptacles.

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10. (Previously presented) The machine in accordance with claim 9, wherein the guide

flaps are supported on a common pivot shaft.

Claims 11-12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently amended) The machine in accordance with claim 9, wherein adjacent guide

flaps are separated from one another by a gap which is defined by an annular -a shoulder in

the bearing region of at least one of the adjacent guide flaps.

14. (Currently amended) The machine in accordance with claim 10, wherein adjacent

guide flaps are separated from one another by a gap which is defined by an annular a

shoulder in the bearing region of at least one of the adjacent guide flaps.

Claims 15-16. (Canceled)

17. (Previously presented) The machine in accordance with claim 9, wherein the expulsion

device comprises a plurality of tappets which are assigned one to each capsule receptacle.

18. (Previously presented) The machine in accordance with claim 10, wherein the

expulsion device comprises a plurality of tappets which are assigned one to each capsule

receptacle.

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19. (Canceled)

20. (Previously presented) The machine in accordance with claim 13, wherein the expulsion device comprises a plurality of tappets which are assigned one to each capsule receptacle.

21. (Canceled)

- 22. (Previously presented) The machine in accordance with claim 9, wherein the guide flaps are each triggerable by means of a respective pneumatic cylinder.
- 23. (Previously presented) The machine in accordance with claim 10, wherein the guide flaps are each triggerable by means of a respective pneumatic cylinder.

24. (Canceled)

25. (Previously presented) The machine in accordance with claim 13, wherein the guide flaps are each triggerable by means of a respective pneumatic cylinder.

26. (Canceled)

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27. (Previously presented) The machine in accordance with claim 17, wherein the guide

flaps are each triggerable by means of a respective pneumatic cylinder.

28. (Previously presented) The machine in accordance with claim 9, wherein the actuating

device for the guide flaps cooperates with at least one inspection station for the capsules.

29. (New) The machine in accordance with claim 10, wherein, because the guide flaps are

mounted on a common guide shaft, the adjacent back wall of one guide flap serves as a guide

for any capsules operated in the adjacent guide flap.

30. (New) The machine in accordance with claim 14, wherein, because the guide flaps are

mounted on a common guide shaft, the adjacent back wall of one guide flap serves as a guide

for any capsules operated in the adjacent guide flap.